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## **RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 2, 2004, relating to the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows:

## In the Description

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Starting on line 21 of page 4 and continuing through over line 2 on page 5, rewrite the paragraph appearing at this location so that it reads:

Fig. 4 shows the tubular central portion 58 of the pump 38, 40 provided with a split collar bearing 60. The split bearing 60 can be opened up at the split 62 and then placed on to the tubular part 58. The tubular split bearing 60 is inserted into the vertical opening 44, as shown in Fig. 6. A tight fit of split bearing 60 in the vertical opening secures the pump 38, 40 to the opening 44, causing it to assume the position shown in Figs. 1, 2, 6 and 7. The discharging portion of each water gun 38, 40 is positioned above the central part 18 of the lower portion 12 of the rotation body. The lower portion of the tubular structure 58 extends downwardly through the opening 44 and places the grip portion 64 of the water gun 38, 40 and the trigger 46 54 in the water below the lower portion 12 (Figs. 3 and 7). In the illustrated embodiment, two water guns, 38, 40 are provided, one on each side of the water toy 10. Water gun 38 is positioned where it can be controlled by the right hand of the person whose head is in the cavity. The left hand of the same person grasps onto and controls the hand control for the second water pistol 40. The tubular portions 58 of the water guns 38, 40 can rotate within the bearings 60. The user 34 need only rotate the tube 38, by movement of the hand control, in order to change the discharge direction of the water stream.